

On *March 20th* at $7^h 30^m$, and on *March 22nd* at $6^h 40^m$, faint markings were perceived. (Figs. 19 and 20.) On the latter date the phosphorescence of the dark side was very clearly seen.

March 26th. $6^h 10^m$. The planet appeared to be covered with dusky spots, but they were very faint and badly-defined. A bright marking was noticed at *a* (Fig. 21), the N. cusp was sharper than the S. cusp, and projected farther.

On *March 28th* at 6^h , and on *March 29th* at $7^h 25^m$, the S. cusp was noted as differing greatly in shape from the N. cusp, but both were perfectly sharp. A faint white streak was seen on both days extending from the S. limb parallel to the terminator. (Figs. 22 and 23.)

April 1st. $6^h 30^m$ to $7^h 0^m$. A very distinct dark streak was observed nearly concentric with the limb, and not far from it; this marking was seen without difficulty with an achromatic by Peter Dollond of $2\frac{1}{8}$ aperture. (Fig. 24.)

April 2nd. $5^h 0^m$ to $5^h 30^m$. Planet beautifully defined. A faint marking was visible very similar in shape to the dark streak observed on the previous evening. Both the cusps were drawn out to very fine thread-like points. (Fig. 25.)

In making the above observations, I generally used the full aperture of my 4-inch achromatic; but I sometimes found that the details visible on the planet (even on the most favourable occasions) were brought out better with the aperture reduced to $3\frac{1}{2}$ or 3 inches.

I used various negative eye-pieces, from 90 to 210.

I may mention that a few days ago I examined some drawings made by a young friend of mine, Mr. P. Wyatt of Bedford, who diligently scrutinized the planet with an achromatic of $2\frac{3}{4}$ -inch aperture, the general correspondence of our sketches on those occasions when we happened to observe the planet at the same time was very satisfactory.

Phenomena of Jupiter's Satellites. By the Rev. S. J. Perry.

The regular observation of *Jupiter's* satellites was commenced at this Observatory with a view of aiding in procuring as complete a record as possible of these phenomena. The observations have all been taken with the full aperture of the 8-inch achromatic of Troughton and Simms, a power of about 300 being generally employed. The time was observed with a Frodsham chronometer, which has been almost invariably compared, on each night of observation, with the sidereal clock immediately after transits have been taken, the change of rate of both chronometer and sidereal clock being thus almost entirely eliminated.

| Date. | Satellite. | Phenomenon. | Observed | | | G.M.T. | | Observers. | Remarks. |
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| | | | h | m | s | N.A.— | Obs. | | |
| 1873. | | | | | | | | | |
| Jan. 25 | I. | Ec. D. | 2 | 2 | 47.7 | A.M. | —0 24.0 | W. C. | Hazy, approx. |
| | II. | Ec. D. | 3 | 33 | 42.0 | | —0 40.2 | „ | Unsteady. |
| | I. | Oc. R. first seen | 4 | 48 | 35.6 | | +1 24.4 | „ | „ |
| | II. | Oc. R. first seen | 7 | 25 | 2.5 | | +0 57.5 | „ | Very unsteady. |
| 27 | I. | Tr. E. int. contact | 8 | 25 | 13.8 | P.M. | +5 4.9 | S. P. | „ |
| | | ext. contact | 26 | 36.3 | | | | | |
| | IV. | Oc. R. first seen | 9 | 3 | 15.9 | | +1 44.1 | „ | |
| 28 | II. | Oc. R. first seen | 8 | 33 | 57.5 | | +0 2.5 | „ | Very unsteady. |
| Feb. 4 | IV. | Tr. I. ext. contact | 9 | 40 | 15.4 | | | W. C. | Satellite almost as |
| | | bisection | 47 | 8.9 | | | +8 51.1 | | dark as shadow, |
| | | | | | | | | | darker than any |
| | | | | | | | | | bands. |
| 7 | I. | Ec. D. | 5 | 49 | 17.2 | A.M. | +0 16.1 | „ | |
| 20 | II. | Tr. E. bisection | 9 | 33 | 6.5 | P.M. | +2 53.5 | „ | Hazy. |
| | | ext. contact | 38 | 10.0 | | | | | |
| Mar. 3 | III. | Sh. I. bisection | 9 | 28 | 45.1 | | —3 45.1 | S. P. | Glimpses through |
| | | | | | | | | | clouds, definition |
| | | | | | | | | | very good. |
| | | Tr. E. bisection | 11 | 25 | 41.0 | | +2 19.0 | „ | Very cloudy. |
| | | ext. contact | 28 | 7.5 | | | | | |
| 5 | I. | Tr. I. ext. contact | 9 | 16 | 34.0 | | | „ | Unsteady. |
| | | bisection | 17 | 59.9 | | | +0 0.1 | | |
| | | Sh. I. bisection | 9 | 46 | 55.0 | | —1 55.0 | „ | Bright ring. |
| | | int. contact | 48 | 16.6 | | | | | Round shadow. |
| | | Tr. E. int. contact | 11 | 32 | 55.9 | | | „ | |
| | | bisection | 34 | 39.4 | | | +3 20.6 | | |
| | | ext. contact | 36 | 14.9 | | | | | |
| | | Sh. E. int. contact | 11 | 59 | 56.0 | | | „ | Misty. |
| | | bisection | 1 | 1.0 | A.M. | | +3 59.0 | | |
| 8 | II. | Oc. D. ext. contact | 6 | 4 | 38.3 | P.M. | | W. C. | Cloudy. |
| | | bisection | 7 | 10.7 | | | +1 49.3 | | |
| | | Ec. R. | 10 | 3 | 50.9 | | —0 57.1 | „ | Full brightness 3 ^m |
| | | | | | | | | | later. |
| 11 | I. | Ec. R. | 4 | 37 | 34.9 | A.M. | +0 7.5 | „ | Full brightness 2 ^m |
| | | | | | | | | | later. |
| 12 | | Tr. I. ext. contact | 10 | 58 | 48.5 | P.M. | | | |
| | | bisection | 11 | 1 | 56.0 | | +1 4.0 | „ | |
| | | int. contact | 4 | 46.5 | | | | | |
| | | Sh. I. first seen | 11 | 40 | 11.0 | | | | |
| | | int. contact | 43 | 1.5 | | | —1 36.3 | „ | |
| 13 | | Tr. E. int. contact | 1 | 17 | 23.6 | A.M. | | „ | |
| | | bisection | 20 | 39.0 | | | +2 21.0 | | |
| | | ext. contact | 24 | 45.4 | | | | | |
| | | Sh. E. last seen | 1 | 57 | 37.2 | | +2 22.8 | „ | Clouds. |

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| Date. 1873. | Satellite. | Phenomenon. | Observed G.M.T. | | G.M.T. from N.A.—Obs. | | Observers. | Remarks. |
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| | | | m | s | h | m | | |
| | | bisection | 0 | 14 | 16 | 5 | +3 43'5 | Very indistinct. |
| Mar. 29 | III. | Ec. R. | 3 | 3 | 57 | 3 | —0 39'5 | W. C. Unsteady. |
| | I. | Ec. R. | 9 | 24 | 1'8 | P.M. | —0 3'6 | „ Full brilliancy 2 ^m or 3 ^m later. |
| 31 | II. | Sh. I. bisection | 9 | 15 | 6 | 4 | —3 6'4 | S. P. |
| | | int. contact | 16 | 7 | 5 | | | |
| | | Tr. E. int. contact | 10 | 5 | 2 | 0 | | |
| | | bisection | 7 | 43 | 0 | | +1 17'0 | |
| | | ext. contact | 10 | 14 | 0 | | | |
| | | Sh. E. int. contact | 11 | 57 | 34 | 6 | | „ |
| | | bisection | 59 | 50 | 6 | | +5 9'4 | |
| April 4 | I. | Oc. D. ext. contact | 1 | 26 | 56 | 0 A.M. | | W. C. Cloudy, tremulous. |
| | | bisection | 30 | 8 | 5 | | +1 51'5 | |
| | IV. | Oc. D. ext. contact | 2 | 20 | 23 | 7 | +10 7'0 | „ Clouds. Not good. |
| | | last seen | 23 | 22 | 2 | | | |
| | I. | Tr. I. ext. contact | 10 | 52 | 31 | 5 P.M. | —2 37'0 | S. P. Clouds. |
| | | int. contact | 56 | 42 | 5 | | | Probably rather late. |
| | III. | Oc. D. ext. contact | 11 | 16 | 41 | 0 P.M. | | „ |
| | | bisection | 19 | 27 | 5 | | —0 27'5 | |
| | I. | Sh. I. bisection | 11 | 55 | 17 | 2 | —2 17'1 | „ |
| | | int. contact | 57 | 5 | 7 | | | Only approx. |
| 5 | | Tr. E. int. contact | 1 | 8 | 50 | 0 A.M. | | „ Clouds. |
| | | bisection | 10 | 6 | 0 | | +1 54'0 | |
| | | ext. contact | 11 | 48 | 5 | | | |
| | | Oc. D. bisection | 8 | 0 | 16 | 1 P.M. | —0 16'1 | W. C. Thin clouds. |
| 7 | II. | Tr. I. bisection | 9 | 43 | 53 | 2 | —3 53'2 | S. P. |
| | | int. contact | 45 | 59 | 2 | | | Clouds, indistinct. |
| | | Sh. I. bisection | 11 | 49 | 57 | 0 | —1 57'0 | „ Cloudy. |
| | | int. contact | 52 | 38 | 5 | | | |
| 8 | | Tr. E. int. contact | 0 | 30 | 0 | 5 A.M. | | „ |
| | | bisection | 32 | 49 | 0 | | +0 11'0 | |
| | | ext. contact | 35 | 46 | 5 | | | |
| | | Sh. E. bisection | 2 | 35 | 45 | 9 | +5 14'1 | W. C. Faint, unsteady. |
| | III. | Sh. E. int. contact | 8 | 47 | 45 | 1 P.M. | | „ Shadow very dark. |
| | | bisection | 51 | 5 | 6 | | +10 54'4 | |
| 12 | I. | Sh. I. bisection | 1 | 50 | 28 | 5 A.M. | —1 33'5 | „ Glimpses through clouds. |
| | | int. contact | 52 | 14 | 0 | | | |
| 13 | | Tr. E. bisection | 9 | 28 | 42 | 8 P.M. | +0 17'2 | S. P. Mist, steady. |
| | | ext. contact | 30 | 50 | 3 | | | |
| | | Sh. E. int. contact | 10 | 30 | 57 | 0 | | „ Clouds, difficult. |
| | | bisection | 33 | 2 | 0 | | +3 58'0 | |
| 18 | | Tr. I. ext. contact | 2 | 24 | 35 | 7 A.M. | | W. C. Low, unsteady. |

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| | | | G.M.T. | | from | | | |
| 1873. | | | h | m | s | m | s | |
| Apr. 18 | | bisection | 2 | 27 | 34.7 | +4 | 25.3 | |
| | | int. contact | 29 | 57.2 | | | | |
| 19 | I. | Oc. D. ext. contact | 11 | 37 | 46.0 | P.M. | | S. P. Mist. |
| | | bisection | 39 | 45.5 | | +0 | 14.5 | |
| 20 | | Tr. I. ext. contact | 8 | 59 | 26.5 | | | „ |
| | | bisection | 9 | 2 | 3.0 | | -2 | 3.0 |
| | | int. contact | 4 | 13.0 | | | | |
| | | Sh. I. bisection | 10 | 13 | 22.6 | | -1 | 22.6 |
| | | int. contact | 14 | 45.6 | | | | |
| | | Tr. E. int. contact | 11 | 17 | 14.1 | | | „ Passing mist. |
| | | bisection | 19 | 28.1 | | +0 | 31.9 | |
| | | ext. contact | 21 | 19.1 | | | | |
| | IV. | Oc. R. bisection | 11 | 40 | 28.1 | | -0 | 28.1 |
| | | ext. contact | 43 | 57.6 | | | | |
| 21 | I. | Ec. R. | 9 | 37 | 3.7 | | +0 | 1.2 |
| | | | | | | | | „ Full brightness 2 ⁿ or 3 ^m later. |
| 23 | III. | Tr. E. int. contact | 0 | 1 | 30.0 | A.M. | | W. C. Tremulous. |
| | | bisection | 6 | 16.5 | | +2 | 43.5 | |
| | | ext. contact | 10 | 43.5 | | | | |
| | II. | Oc. D. ext. contact | 9 | 40 | 29.3 | P.M. | | S. P. |
| | | bisection | 43 | 28.3 | | +0 | 28.3 | |
| 29 | I. | Sh. E. bisection | 8 | 54 | 9.5 | | +0 | 50.5 |
| | | | | | | | | W. C. Faint, unsteady. |

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Observations of Procyon as a Double Star.
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For the last twenty-two years the author has made one or two comparisons every year of this star with two telescopic stars, about six minutes of R.A. on each side of it, with the view of obtaining material for a confirmation of Bessel's theory of its irregular proper motion. On the 19th of March last whilst thus observing it, under exceptionally favourable atmospheric

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